

'To assist, recognize, and disseminate Prehospital Care Research at all provider levels'

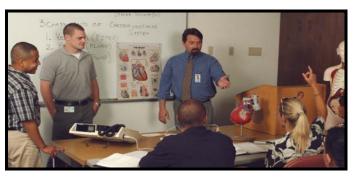
"State lead EMS agencies should promote prehospital research and facilitate the development of relationships and resources necessary for such studies."

> • National EMS Research Agenda, NHTSA 2001

With the challenges facing healthcare and healthcare financing, the nursing and healthcare professional shortages, emergency department diversions, and threats to our homeland security, there is tremendous pressure to improve the quality and flexibility of the emergency medical services. While many system changes have occurred in the past based on intuition and a notion of what was going to be effective, we bear an increased responsibility to make policy decisions based on evidence.

In an effort to improve the quality and quantity of EMS research, a group of medical directors and field EMS providers formed the Prehospital Care Research Forum (PCRF) in 1992. The PCRF was founded with the mission: "to assist, recognize, and disseminate prehospital care research at all provider levels."

The Prehospital Care Research Forum has over ten years of experience in presenting workshops. We will work together with you to ensure that each of your team members will benefit from our workshop.



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The Prehospital Care Research Forum's two-day workshop focuses on the essential components of research. The workshop allows students to experience the initial steps of designing and implementing a project, including hypothesis formation, methodology selection and an introduction to data analysis

Taught by experienced EMS researchers, this stimulating hands-on course involves the student in every fundamental aspect of research.

The workshop contains five core lectures followed by small group instruction followed by small group instruction thus enabling close interaction between our instructors and your students. After selecting an actual research project, the groups utilize various learning tools and techniques that have been proven successful by expert researchers.

By the end of day two, the groups will be prepared to present their studies to one another, and enjoy invigorating discussion and critiques of their respective projects.

Student evaluations* tell us that this is one of the most challenging and informative workshops which most participants have experienced. Often students are able to take their newly-honed skills and immediately apply them in their jobs, thus making the workshop an invaluable investment of time and money.

*Actual evaluations furnished upon request.

For information or to enroll in the Research Workshop, please contact the Prehospital Care Research Forum at:

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